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Methods for Ablating Tissue to Form  
Complex Lesion Patterns in the Treatment  
of Cardiac Conditions and the Like

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Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

**On page 1, please rewrite the paragraph beginning on line 1 as follows:**

Cross-Reference to Related Applications:

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This application is a continuation of co-pending application Serial No.  
08/752,162, filed November 18, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 6,241,754, which is a  
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